



September 2021 Newsletter

What a fantastic start to the year! I cannot tell you how proud I am of how well the children have settled back into school life. They arrive every morning with smiles on their faces and welcome one another (and the staff) so enthusiastically. There are a number of exciting things happening in school this term so keep your eyes out on the website and Facebook for pictures of what we have been getting up to.

You may have noticed that we have moved the notice board to the outside railings. We will endeavour to update this as often as possible so that you are aware of key dates and other things that you need to know. Please also let us know of any events in the community that our families would enjoy and we can share this information on the board.

Mrs Lizzie Jackson

PE Days - Autumn Term

Reception	Tuesday	
Year 1	Monday	Tuesday
Year 2	Monday	Tuesday
Year 3	Tuesday	Friday
Year 4	Wednesday	Friday



Children are encouraged to come to school in their PE kits on these days. Please ensure that all clothing is suitable for the weather. Earrings and jewellery must not be worn on PE days.

Macmillan Cake Sale

Calling all bakers and cake-eaters! We are planning to hold a cake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and will be selling cakes, cupcakes and a range of other treats from **2:45pm on Friday 24th September** on the school yard. We would greatly appreciate any donations (sweet or savoury) for the sale and would ask that these are brought to school no later than lunchtime on Friday 24th. Many thanks.



Phonics parents/carers session

On **Thursday 30th September**, Mr Wonders would like to invite parents/carers from Year 1 and 2 to see how we teach phonics to our children. He will also give information about the Phonics Screening test which all Year 1 children will take in June 2022 and all Year 2 children will take this term (due to having missed the screening in Year 1). The session will start at 2:15pm. Resources will be available for anyone who is unable to attend.

Admissions to Middle School

You should have received an email regarding applications for Middle School. The portal opened on 12th September and will close on **31st of October 2021.**

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1/Yr-5-Middle-Yr-7-Secondary-Yr-9-High-entry-applica.aspx>

After school clubs

Clubs running this half term:

Monday - NUFC Football KS1

Tuesday - Fit Kids KS1

Thursday - Fit Kids KS2

Friday - Trident Soccer KS2



Please look out for letters coming home and return to the class teachers to secure a place.

Parent Governor

We are currently looking for new Parent Governors and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

- an interest in the performance of the school.
- a desire to contribute to and represent the community.
- an open and enquiring mind.
- the ability to look at issues objectively.
- the confidence to ask questions and join in debate.
- a willingness to listen and make informed judgements.
- the ability to work well with others.
- time to spare.
- a child or children currently attending Amble First School.

If you are interested or would like to ask any questions about the role, please call the school for an informal chat.

It's Good to Grow

Morrisons are running their Good to Grow scheme from 6th September to 24th October. For every £10 you spend, you will receive a Grow Token when you use your MyMorrisons card. Grow Tokens are then exchanged for gardening equipment for schools. Once you have received your tokens, you need to go online or use the MyMorrisons app to donate them to Amble First School. Let's get digging!



Key Dates Autumn 2021

Tuesday 7th September - Children return to school

Monday 13th September – After-school clubs to restart

Friday 24th September - Macmillan cake sale

Tuesday 28th September - KS2 Beach Day

Wednesday 29th September - KS1 Beach Day

Thursday 30th September – Phonics meeting

Week beginning 11th October - Parent's evenings

Friday 1st October - Whole school scooter event

Friday 15th October - Whole school skateboarding event

Tuesday 19th October - KS1 and KS2 First Aid training

Thursday 21st October - Harvest Festival

Friday 22nd October – Halloween celebration

Monday 1st November - School photographer (individual)

Tuesday 2nd November – Year 1 Amble Ramble

Thursday 9th December - Christmas performance

Friday 17th December - Last day of term

Monday 4th January - Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 5th January - Children return to school

We will endeavour to give as much notice as possible of any changes.